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## C.A.T.U.G. CLUB OFFICERS

Here is the list of 1990 club officers and how to contact them. The club has two strong SIGS, SPECTRUM/TS2068 and QL. If you have questions about either of these fine machines or even the ZX81/TS1000/TS1500 call one of the officers. C=312, S=708.

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## CLUB MEETINGS

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Do you remember, Rod, who Clive designed his computer for? Derek Ashton, author of the 747 Flight Simulator, reminded me! He started out in life as a U.K. citizen. Clive developed ZX computers for a community of folks who had no computers at

home, just 'empty coal buckets'. The users still around today bare this out. In our own club of 22 people we have at least 6 that are retired, one in such bad financial condition we won't take dues from him, most of the rest in an age situation such that their employers are already preparing them for retirement, that is, TEACHING THEM TO LIVE ON A FIXED INCOME!

When someone in the group does build up a little money, they buy MS-DOS machines and we never hear from them again! Those of us that remain hard core T/S users will keep saving and once in a while have some spare money to purchase items from our venders.

CATUG is committed to OUR venders and UPDATE!, our last Magazine and want to help them 'STAY ALIVE'. By the way, Rod, you rank high with our members because .of, among other reasons, your quick turn-around time of our purchases, great work!

Rod, you said that you were the Editor of THE PLOTTER for 4 years but I am sad to say that most of us have never seen any of those issues as our library collection of the PLOTTER only goes back to mid-89. But I'll bet that it is now built on a foundation that you started and that Dick Wagner makes it as good as it is after a tradition you no doubt were a part of.

Because you have a new generation of T/S users out here is why I have asked editors to reprint older articles, we have never seen those older articles and are lost out here without them! We see in print passing references to software already out in the world but have no idea what it is or what it is supposed to give us if we own it so we hold back buying it.

I felt that the software I developed and the 747 FLIGHT SIMULATOR my friend Derek Ashton wrote back in 1984, that

you said RMG couldn't sell, would never see the light of day in the U.S. T/S community if I didn't 'take the bull by the horns'. So I published the 747 FLIGHT SIMULATOR manual in NTN V4 #3 and LogiCall in NTN V3 #6 and offered it to the public at the SMUGfest at a give away price of \$5. Why? Because Derek's work would go unnoticed if I didn't publish his manual, people want to see SOMETHING of what they are buying first.

As for LogiCall, I had been hearing complaints about Larry's system and LogiCall would have solved them all but I couldn't get to the LarKen users to help them! I offered LogiCall to Larry Kenny to give away free with his LK-DOS system and he didn't take it. I tried to get it published by the only magazine I knew of at the time, TIME DESIGNS, and they wouldn't publish it.

I was in the same predicament in the days of ZX80 and ZX81. I kept reading about all the crashes due to the RAM PACK connector and I had the answer. None of my friends had crash problems and they snickered at the rest that did and even bought machines from those that did for junk prices, went home and put Nu-Jol on the connectors and had no-crash back-ups for their systems. The group I was in back in the early 1980's was the MOTOROLA group and we had been using Nu-Jol since our QUASAR and MICOR days to cause our connector systems to have integrity in our top-of-the-line products. But I could get no one to publish this information!

Now that I am at the helm of this newsletter, I will see to it that THE WORD GETS OUT, I will publish for those that have been held silent for so long. That is why our newsletter is so long just now, we still have unpublished material, material turned down by other publishers and venders!

Here is an input you should pass along to Dick Wagner. Dick has been running articles by Michael J. Di Rienzo. In July of 1990, we didn't get a June issue, Michael added a note to his articles which no longer permit us to copy and hand out as take-homes THE PLOTTER newsletters. The result is that our membership has been cut off from seeing THE PLOTTER since May 1990, too bad. They do miss it. Furthermore, I can't contact Michael for feedback on his articles as we have no phone number for him. Maybe Dick can fix those problems.

As for your comment about the frequency of the publication, Rod, you know that putting out 80 copies of a newsletter that YOU ALONE put together is quite a task and you do it sometimes because NO ONE ELSE will! In my case, I have to put out the newsletters of 4 different clubs. If I had to do this every month for every club my wife and family would really suffer! I did try but it was murder. There is more to life than just computers, I can still remember!

So, CATUG will continue to call this a club newsletter as we are supported by only the club dues and not by the ads of venders. This is why you will see RMG, EMSOFT and soon other venders ads in our newsletter at no cost to those venders as we are offering a service to the T/S community, both users and venders, not a magazine to make money from the community.

With respect I remain sincerely yours, Bob Swoger, Editor  
Chicago Area Timex Users Group

#### **TREASURY NOTES**

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Our balance stands at \$291.33.  
Our current paid membership stands at 25.

Al Feng, Treasurer  
Chicago Area Timex Users Group

#### **SECRETARY'S NOTEPAD**

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November 17, 1990

Meeting was called to order at 1:56PM. Those in attendance were Messrs. Brezina, Cooper, Donaldson, Mills, Pashtoon, Sauter and Swoger.

Everyone present was reminded that our monthly meetings are set at the third Saturday of each month. If there is any question about this or about weather conditions, etc., call Steve Cooper.

Word came from Frank Davis that Indiana will not be the staging ground for a 1991 Computerfest despite earlier rumors. Some pressure was put on CATUG at the SMUGfest to host it. While we're grateful for offers to help with mailing, etc., from our Indiana friends, too many of our key members have made many commitments outside of Sinclair/TimeX circles to permit it. Sorry, folks.

Joan Kealy, our Texas member, was suffering from a fast-slow problem with her TS2068/LarKen system. She had a LarKen fast EPROM tied to a slow Western Digital WD1770 controller chip. Bob Swoger to the rescue: He explained that with a fast EPROM, you must have a fast disk drive; with a slow EPROM and slow controller chip you can use fast or slow disk drives.

Get this! One of the reasons our PDP computer (the one that produces this newsletter) failed between June and November was that the phone lines were "scrubbed" by the local phone company. Apparently, the phone company checks its lines with regularity, looking for those which aren't used. If there are no outgoing calls made on a line within a period of time, they assume that the line is not being used and the line is disconnected, allowing the wire to be used for another subscriber. Since our computer



never calls out, the lines were cut. Needless to say, they've been reinstalled and the BBS is working again - on the old familiar numbers. Who says you can't fight the system?

For those who have a Zebra disk drive: It will work with a Tasman "C" interface but it won't work with a "B" interface. (Which means that CP/M won't work with the "B" interface, either.)

Bob Swoger was asked by Steve Cooper if they could join forces in making a list of all the software our group members own for the TS2068. Swoger indicates that the list will be a long one; he personally has over 200 programs. And Cooper has disks with about 100 simple programs each! Another list should be made for QL programs.

John Donaldson reported that he has been promised copies of some of the back issues of Time Designs Magazine from another source. Unfortunately, neither the source nor he has a complete set. (However, the source got 3 more issues after his stopped coming!) Does anyone have all the issues?

Meeting was closed at 2:34PM.

December 15, 1990

Meeting opened at 3:45PM due to the Secretary's tardiness. Those present were Messrs. Brezina, Cooper, Donaldson, Feng, Mills, Pashtoon, Sauter and Swoger.

Bob Swoger was apprized of another fast-slow TS2068/LarKen combination in Miami. (See Joan Kealy item in last month's minutes). These had been shipped from RMG. A call to Rod Gowen was made. Rod was told by Larry Kenny that it didn't make any difference.

There was discussion about an author in another newsletter who forbids any copying of his items. He writes good information but if it's confined to

one newsletter, The Plotter, he limits his audience and it appears that he is unwilling to share it with outsiders. This will only diminish the spirit of the Sinclair/Time community. We're small enough already. Does he want us to be smaller? How about lifting the restrictions?

ZX-APPEAL announced that it will cease to function due to a number of causes, one being lack of input. A request comes from our group that instead of folding, someone other than the present editor could pick it up and rerun articles prior to about 1988 for the generation who arrived in Sinclairland a little later than some of us oldtimers.

A longstanding problem with JLO-LarKen disk incompatibility has been cleared up. (Disks had been blown away when in a foreign environment!) It seems that the Oliger system had defective chips which could wipe track 0 off LarKen disks. We hear that if a board was bought from JLO, Oliger is replacing the offending chips - but only if bought from him.

The Club's Amdek color monitor was put in the pink (and blue and green) of condition and is vastly superior to the old TS2068/old, tired color TV hookup. Thanks, Bob and Nazir.

RMG's new catalogs were distributed at the meeting. Thanks, Rod! We'll get them into the newsletter.

An election of officers was held by secret ballot. The results were:

President - Nazir Pashtoon  
Vice-President - Steve Cooper  
Secretary - John Donaldson  
Treasurer - Al Feng

Congratulations to each of these fearless and selfless people!

John Donaldson, Secretary  
Chicago Area Timex Users Group

## GATOR's TWISTED PAIR

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!!! R E M E M B E R !!!  
We STILL have a 24 hour BBS and encourage you to exchange mail and contribute to the Download Section. Use it and have fun!

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*****
*       C A T U G B B S       *
*       708/576-7140          *
*   Type at the > prompt:    *
*   MOTOROLA then GUEST      *
*   BYE to log out           *
*   Commands are: DIR, TYPE, *
*   UPLOAD filename.type     *
*   DOWNLOAD filename.type   *
*****
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Bob Swoger, SYSOP  
Chicago Area Timex Users Group

## NEWS ITEMS

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As of our October meeting we are meeting again on the THIRD Saturday as we did before mid-1989.

### ITEMS FOR SALE THROUGH THE CLUB

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LogiCall AOS-LKDOS Software Ensemble for TS2068 and Spectrum includes LogiCall 4.4 TASWORD II V2.4 VU-CALC VU-FILE and MTERM2 Drivers modified for LogiCall, DISKS.B1 TAPES.B1 steprt.B1 HEADER.BT (tape header reader by Nazir Pashtoon) FORMAT.B MOVE.BL and more all on 2 SSDD disks for \$5. You must specify your LK-DOS EPROM version. If you already have a copy you are encouraged to distribute copies to other LarKen LK-DOS users for as you see by the price we are not in the business of making money on it, just making LarKen's LK-DOS the BEST!

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So you like to fly? The 747 Flight Simulator for Spectrum by Derek Ashton of DACC sold over 40K copies in EUROPE. Requires Spectrum Emulator. Supplied on LarKen SSDD or DSQD disk only at this time for \$10 which goes to Derek Ashton now

working at MOTOROLA, INC.,  
Schaumburg, IL.

Call in requests to Bob Swoger  
at W708-576-8068 H708-837-7957

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Want to try MS-DOS first before you switch? Try QLuMSi DOS, the MS-DOS SIMULATOR on your QL first.

QLuMSi (disk/specify) .....\$15

Try Al's Side-Kick on your QL. It is an AOS like LogiCall on the TS2068 and can make your life on the QL a lot easier [you may never lust for MS-DOS again!]

QLUSTer (disk/specify) .....\$10

CALL: Al Feng H(708) 971-0495

## SPECIAL DEALS AND BUYS

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It has come to our attention that some LarKen Users are using something less than Version 3 firmware. The club will supply updated EPROMS, SYSTEM DISKS, and MANUALS for just \$5 which includes shipping and handling, free if ordered with LogiCall or Spectrum ROM.

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If you are a LarKen LK-DOS owner and would like a SPECTRUM V2 kit for your system we will supply an EPROM, socket and 74HCT32 for \$12 which includes shipping and handling. The install instructions are in your LarKen manual. We shall not be responsible for your install job. AERCO owners need only the SPECTRUM EPROM for \$10

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If you have a mismatch between you LarKen DOS EPROM and your Western Digital Controller chip, we will send you the correct one for free on behalf of our friends Rod Gowen of RMG and Larry Kenny of LarKen.

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## ARTICLES

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### ARCHIVE PRIMER

by  
Al Feng

Each SINCLAIR QL comes bundled with four "business" programs. These vary in utility for the user based on individual background and current/future needs.

The four programs share the characteristic of being very compact [apparently, some of the programs were originally intended for CP/M computers, and this is reflected in the use of disk access in lieu of available RAM storage by QUILL and ARCHIVE; with, ABACUS being the notable exception].

The ease of use of the programs varies with the background of the user, but thankfully we can consider all of the programs as "second generation" software.

QUILL and ABACUS are probably easier to use than ARCHIVE for most users. In fact, if you are not a POWER USER, then you too may have found ARCHIVE to be daunting.

The "problem" with ARCHIVE is that the HELP files really don't "help" you with the program's syntax. Until you know, you don't know. And, you really can't "fake it" the way you can with the other three programs. ARCHIVE's syntax is very specific.

CREATE, END CREATE. Are we playing God with the Universe? If you've gotten far enough to see the blank, central window (i.e., the "void") with a red DOS-like prompt in a lower COMMAND WINDOW, you already know that you can't just begin typing in any of the "words" seen in the PROMPTS window at the top of the screen at the COMMAND LINE. You have to know exactly what-and-how you want to define ALL the FIELDS before you start to work, otherwise you're only going to have

trouble later on when the time comes to fill in your RECORDs. Perfection counts.

A greater problem is need. A computer is a task oriented solution for specific problems. We need not use a computer to do tasks better handled by other tools. If you do not have an overwhelming need for more than a couple of dozen records, then 3x5 file cards (or, ROLODEX-type system), or a sheet of paper, may remain a better solution.

If you're beginning to perceive a need for using a database program, you can:

- 1) Finally, dust-off and read the QL USER GUIDE;
- 2) Roll your eyes at the QL UG(h!) text, and buy more file cards;
- 3) Buy a copy of DBEASY; or,
- 4) Read the rest of this discourse.

Okay, you've read the QL USER GUIDE's section on ARCHIVE at least once, and you can make your way through the example. Somehow, you are still having trouble setting up a database. Is it the obliqueness of the USER GUIDE? Is it the program? Is it you?

"Roll(ing) your eyes" isn't the best option; but, buying a copy of DBEASY and/or reading the rest of this discourse should help you to varying degrees.

Bill Cable's DBEASY is a front-end and template for the ARCHIVE program which exploits the database's structured programming language.

DBEASY (version 1.3) presents you with a menu from which you can select how you want to handle your database. With the exception of initial data input, and the subsequent \$string query, my recollection is that ALL input is single key [often, cursor\_key + <ENTER>].

The record screen has a specific number of fields allocated for text and numbers. This has obvious disadvantages; but, after you have gained familiarity with the ARCHIVE's programming language, you will find that these can be edited.

My limited, observation is that DBEASY may be a misnomer. Not because it is difficult to use, but because it may be of benefit to all ARCHIVE users (existing databases may be used after either "adjusting" the field names, or by customizing the program's front end).

While you're waiting for your copy of DBEASY to arrive in the mail (?!), you may want to experiment with this ALTERNATE METHOD for CREATing an ARCHIVE database.

First, forget everything you've heard about a database being like a set of file cards. You just cannot scribble-and-erase here, there, or anywhere. We may be better prepared if we think of a database's format as being akin to a governmental form (i.e., "Rigid").

Unlike a word processor where you can twiddle-and-tweak with ideas for paragraphs, all the FIELDS of a database must be pre-DEFined before you begin putting in any of the RECORDs.

Power users too familiar with setting up their databases are probably saying: "Big deal!" But, a computer is supposed to make things easier. Why should one first need to consolidate (m)any randomly jotted notes onto a single sheet of paper prior to beginning to ensure that everything that must be included is? It would be better if any database could be constructed on-the-fly.

Now, consider your database as being a matrix. Uh oh! You may recall that calculus was a prerequisite for the course on matrices. Don't worry. We've all seen examples of matrices since we were in grade school. The "multiplication table" and

the "mileage between cities" chart(s) are common examples of matrices. In a meaningful matrix, the data in the middle of the grid can be correlated to the labels of the 'X' or 'Y' axis. For the database, the 'X axis' represents the FIELDS, and the 'Y axis' represents the RECORDs.

Because of the structure of the Psion programs, you can first set up your database in ABACUS by constructing a valid matrix and then IMPORTing it into ARCHIVE. For some of you, a light should have gone on in your head. For the rest, read on.

Just LOAD the ABACUS/QLSS spread sheet program into your QL and start typing in the label names for items you think you may want to track in your database. Use the following example as a model, beginning in CELL 'A1'.

	A	B	C
1	Star	RtAccnsn	magnitude
2	Achernar	1h 35m	1
3	Acrux	12h 22m	1
4	Agena		

All the CELLS are "text" with the exception of 'C2' & 'C3' which are "numerical" values.

While you can change the names in the columns after you've input all the FIELD label names, some foresight helps (corrections can be made by adding columns and inserting the forgotten, or misplaced, label in the correct column). The better organized you are, the quicker the entire process will be.

Depending on the RECORDs, you may wish to do the bulk of input from the matrix. This is especially applicable if you are still using microdrives for storage as this will circumvent repeated media access during initial data INPUT.



After setting up the matrix's framework, you may decide that you would rather sub-divide "declination" into two parts:

	A	B	C	D	
1	Star	RAh	RAM	magnitude	
2	Achernar	1h	35m		1
3	Acrux	12h	22m		1
4	Agena	13h	58m		1
5	Aldebaran	4h	31m		1
6	Altair	19h	47m		1
7	Antares	16h	25m		1
8	Arcturus	14h	12m		0
9	Betelgeuse	5h	51m		1
10	Canopus	6h	22m		-1
11	Capella	5h	11m		1
12	Deneb	20h	39m		1
13	Fomalhaut	22h	53m		1
14	Pollux	7h	30m		1
15	Procyon	7h	37m		0
16	Regulus	10h	4m		1
17	Rigel	5h	11m		0
18	Sirius	6h	42m		-1.6
19	Spica	13h	21m		1
20	Vega	18h	34m		0

This was done by using:

```
<F3>      (g)rid
           (i)nsert
           (c)olumn, at C
```

to insert a single 'column C' (indicate '2' for two columns). The labels, as well as data, in columns 'C' & 'D' are then amended to suit your current specifications.

All right. You've gotten this much done. Now what? Simply follow the standard EXPORT sequence:

```
<F3>      (F)iles
           (E)xport
           <ENTER> (for data)
           range (<ENTER> for
                  default)
           (c)olumns
           to ____ (e.g., 'STARdata').
```

Note: the default '\_exp' extension is automatically added to the EXPORTed file by the ABACUS program.

So, now that you've created an IMPORT/EXPORT file you'll want to switch to ARCHIVE. But, before you QUIT ABACUS, SAVE the file as an '\_aba' file. Go through the SAVE sequence and call the file 'STARdata(\_aba)'.

Now, QUIT the ABACUS program and LOAD ARCHIVE. Then type:

```
Import "flp2_STARdata_exp"
to "STARdata"      <ENTER>
```

The QL will CREATE the file on your default medium. When the cursor returns, type:

```
display      <ENTER>
```

and [ta-DAH!], you should see your newly created database file (see below):

```
Logical name : main
Star$        : Achernar
RAh$         : 1h
RAm$         : 35m
magnitude    : 1
```

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Now type:      next      <ENTER>
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and, you should see the second record (i.e., "Acrux"). If you type:

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last      <ENTER>
```

You should see the last record which you typed in (in this example: "Vega"). Now, if you type:

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DIR "mdv2_"      <ENTER>
```

you will get a DIRectory of your data disk. You should see files named:

```
'STARdata_exp'
'STARdata_aba'
'STARdata_dbf'
```

If you ever need to add more FIELDS to your database (eg., "Declination", "comment1\$"), either go back to the original 'nnnn\_aba', or EXPORT the current 'nnnn\_dbf' to 'nnnn\_imp' (where 'nnnn\_ext' is the name of the appropriate file).

From here on, using ARCHIVE is pretty straight forward. To add new data, type "alter" to enter the correct mode for 'ALTERing' (amending) the RECORDs in the database.

Remember to CLOSE the RECORD file before turning off your QL (ARCHIVE automatically CLOSEs the current file when you QUIT the program).

[Now this is where Al begins to lose his ever loving mind! ED] So, the final question may be: Why should I bother changing to the ARCHIVE if I'm using one of the database programs available for the TS-2068? There may not be a reason to change. The 2068 is still a viable computer for many users; and, its software seems to satisfy those who use it. But, if you are in a situation which may dictate familiarity with other "second generation" software, then you may find that a QL (about \$100) with self-contained storage may be a good investment even if you are using a 2068 with a disk interface.

QL disk interfaces cost about \$120/\$170 (used/new) without memory. While this is not as inexpensive as a PC/CLONE i/f, I don't think that it is high when compared with the cost of a LARKEN or OLIGER interface. At some point in the future (if you don't wait too long) you can probably recoup this cost by selling your 2068's disk interface!

Finally, unless you're using single-sided disk drives, you can probably use the same disk drives on a QL as you are currently using for your 2068 (720K / DSQD is the de facto QL drive in either 3.5" or 5.25").

HAPPY TRAILS, AND COMPUTING,  
TO YOU. . .

### **Fixing My FDD3000**

by

James F. Brezina

A while back, something I feared would happen, did. My FDD 3000 stopped working. Since Zebra Systems quit supporting the TS computers and dropped the FDD3000, I didn't know where I could get it fixed. Dan Elliot has never mentioned the repair of disk systems, I didn't know if I could send it to him. However, since my work before retirement was the repair of electronic equipment, I thought I would try to fix it myself. The big drawback was

that I had no schematics on the unit. I had purchased the technical manual on the system, but, that was no help. All it contained was machine language and no schematics. Therefore, it was of no use to me in repairing the unit. I had to figure out how to disassemble the unit on my own. I was hoping that I did not have to remove the disk drives.

All owners of the FDD know that, immediately after turning it on and then inserting the disk, you hear the disk spinning and the indicator light flashes. Turning on the computer next causes the disk to spin again and the copyrights to appear on the monitor screen. My unit did neither. I presumed, from this, that the motor which spins the disk was not working for some reason.

I removed the cover of the unit and looked down at the power supply section. I could see 8 rectifier diodes and most of the rest of it was covered by a heat sink fastened to three voltage regulators. The power supply board was held down at the front by a moveable piece of gray plastic. The back end was under the transformer. I took my volt-ohm-milliammeter and checked the voltage on the diodes. They were all under 10 and 5 volts. Something was causing that voltage to be low and, I would have to remove the power supply assembly to work on it further.

The power supply assembly was mounted on a gray plastic frame which was mounted to the bottom of the cabinet with three screws. There is a wire from the transformer which is connected to the power fuse holder with a push on connector. You will have to pull this off the lug on the fuse holder or you will break the lug off the fuse holder. I didn't do this and had to replace the fuse holder. After removing the screws from the bottom of the cabinet, I found that I had to carefully move a

slot in the plastic frame over the power line grounding lug in order to free the power supply from the cabinet. There were three 3 wire cables coming off the power supply board. They ran under the drives and had enough slack to let me remove the assembly from the cabinet enough to work on it. Where the wires went into the board, they were marked +5 and +12. I don't recall any marking for the third wire which had to be ground.

The heat sink on the regulators had threaded holes for screwing the tabs on the regulators to it. I was glad the screws weren't mounted with nuts. The transformer was held in place by formed corners in the plastic frame and by a plastic cover that was held in place by screws through the plastic frame. When I removed the cover and picked the unit up by the transformer, the power supply board fell off the lugs on the transformer. The solder on the power supply board showed no impressions that would indicate a secure solder connection to the lugs on the transformer. This was the cause of my trouble. It was also, in my opinion a manufacturers defect, but, since the vendor has deserted us, and it was out of warranty, I had no recourse to the vendor for warranty repair.

I removed the old solder from those holes and resoldered the transformer to the power supply board. I then replaced the heat sink on the regulators and reconnected the wire to the fuse holder. I set the power supply assembly on its side and reconnected the FDD to my computer. I turned the FDD on and checked the voltages coming off the diodes. They were now the required 5 and 12 volts. I placed a disk in drive A and heard the spinning sound. I turned the computer on, heard the spinning sound, and got all the copyright notices on the screen. I then tried loading in a program from the disk and that worked. I had repaired my FDD!

## ADS

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To put an AD in the Computer related section of the BBS, put a file in your account with the filename.filetype: COMPUTER.ADS ! ! ! Our ADS are free ! ! ! !

FOR SALE: ON 910107  
 %%%  
 Color Computer DRIVE 0 1/2  
 HEIGHT DOUBLE SIDED W/CABLE &  
 HDS CONTROLLER W/RS-DOS ...\$150  
 SANYO BETA STEREO HI-FI RECORDR  
 W/REMOTE & MANY PRE-RECORDED  
 ORIGINAL TAPES & USED BLANK  
 TAPES .....\$375  
 PRICES NOT FIRM CALL Rich Polk  
 h708-830-0043 LEAVE MESSAGE

FOR SALE: ON 910107  
 %%%  
 MAC PLUS SYSTEM INCLUDES 2.5 M  
 RAM 30 MEG HARD DRIVE W/SCSI  
 CABLES ( SEAGATE DRIVE, 40 MS)  
 800K EXTERNAL FLOPPY DRIVE ALL  
 WITH ORIGINAL MANUALS AND SHIP-  
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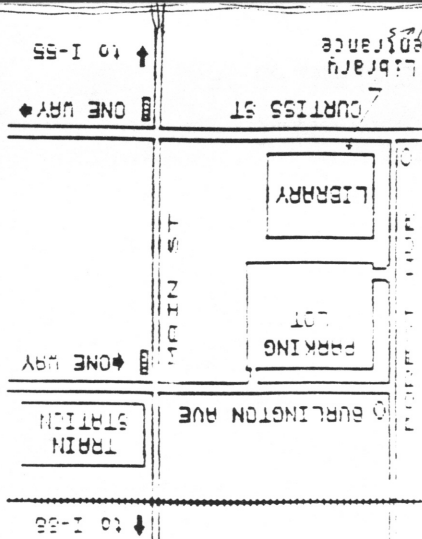
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